

HOUSE No. 2884

By Mr. Sullivan of Fall River, petition of David B. Sullivan for legislation to exempt military pensions in the calculation of survivor benefits under medical assistance. Health Care Financing.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO MEDICAL ASSISTANCE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Section 21A of chapter 118E of the General Laws, as appearing
- 2 in the 1998 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the
- 3 following paragraph:—
- 4 If an institutionalized spouse is receiving a federal military
- 5 pension, that portion of said pension which is deducted as part of
- 6 a survivor benefit plan contribution shall not be considered
- 7 income for the purposes of this chapter.